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Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street SW
Washington, DC 20554

Regarding **RM-10740**

Good day,

My name is Jeff Belknap, my amateur radio call is N8RWS. I am opposed the initiatives detailed in RM-10740 for the following reason:

Amateur radio provides a forum for many segments of interest. Amateur radio promotes experimentation, which in turn promotes positive learning experiences. I feel that the proposed changes of RM-10740 would limit and or restrict these elements. I feel this would have a negative impact on our hobby.

It is generally understood that humans by nature will resist and oppose change. Amateur radio has experienced several points of change during it's history. RM-10740 and the enhanced SSB / AM audio present yet another series of change for Amateur radio. I feel that we must carefully balance these changes to achieve a positive end result.

I believe that the rules currently in place were established to promote some latitude for operators to experiment. I feel that any change to the rules would provide a negative imbalance for our hobby.

Thanks for the opportunity to express my feelings. Please feel free to contact me by e-mail with any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

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